

## **SELF-DESCRIBING TRANSPORT PROTOCOL SEGMENTS**

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Systems and methods that provide self-describing transport protocol segments are provided. In one embodiment, a system that handles transport protocol segments may include, for example, a sender that adapts a transport protocol segment. The transport protocol segment may include, for example, a self-describing header and an indicator. The indicator may indicate at least one of the presence and the location of the self-describing header.